ORGANIZATION AND CONTENT OF THE MANDAN FILE

[This File has 10 sources by 8 different authors. Much of the material is from early travelers accounts, (Wied-Nuwied 6, Catlin 7, Henry 10). The first source by Charles DeLand, is a compilation of material taken from early travel accounts. Most of this source has not been categorized since it repeats material in other primary sources also processed. Studies by Lowie (4, 5) and Bowers (2) cover the social organization of the Mandan. Material culture is covered by Will and Spinden (3) as well as by the early travelers. Bruner (8, 9) treats the modern Mandan acculturation process. DeLand is an example of pseudo-scientific writing and speculation about the Mandan. The so called evidence showing the Mandan to be descended from a Welsh prince has not been categorized.

Bowers use of Clan corresponds with the O. C. M. Sib (category 614). His clan is matrilineal, matrilocal, exogamous and does not incorporate the in-marrying spouse. Scattered references to this same unit in other sources have of course, been marked for Sib (category 614) also.]